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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) had implemented any scheme for allotment of flats on priority basis in order to promote welfare and rehabilitation scheme for the disabled;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the circumstances and the reasons for discontinuation of this scheme suddenly in the year 2000;

(d) whether the Government intend to implement this scheme again;

(e) the current status of the applicants who had applied before discontinuation of the scheme alongwith the basis on which the applications of past applicants were rejected; and

(f) whether the Government proposes to launch any scheme or to provide any other relief to the physically and mentally disabled in the housing sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)to(d): The Government had issued revised guidelines on 17th January, 1997 for earmarking out of turn allotment of Delhi Development Authority (DDA) flats. The eligible categories for such discretionary allotment included inter alia physically handicapped persons. After taking into consideration the fact that these guidelines were not keeping with the spirit behind the Scheme for large scale acquisition and disposal of land and Scheme for construction of flats for low income and middle income groups, Government decided on 19th June 2000, to restrict the out of turn allotment of DDA flats, subject to certain terms and conditions, only to widows of Government servants who died in harness or widows of those killed by terrorists. This policy is in implementation.

(e): Decision was taken on the basis of the policy existing as on that date. The applicants falling within the physically disabled category are eligible to apply for allotment of flats under the 1 % reservation made by DDA for this category.

(f): The DDA has informed that they have been keeping 1% reservation for physically disabled persons in all their housing schemes and this reservation still continues to be in force. The flats to disabled persons are allotted invariably at ground floor and on hire purchase basis with 25% of the total cost as the initial amount and the remaining amount is charged in instalments.